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Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 2860.0676

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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12/26/02  
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In re Application of: )  
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Kaori Ono et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1772  
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Serial No.: 09/850,167 ) Examiner: Jane J. Rhee  
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Filed: May 8, 2002 )  
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For: CELLULOSE ESTER FILM, )  
OPTICAL FILM, POLARIZING )  
PLATE, OPTICAL )  
COMPENSATION FILM AND )  
LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY )

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Sir:

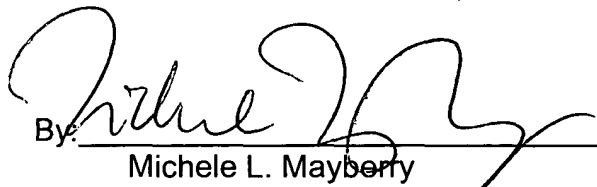
**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In a restriction requirement dated December 2, 2002, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I (claims 1-21), Group II (claims 24-25), and Group III (claims 22-23). Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I, claims 1-21 drawn to a film, without traverse.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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